

# THE Pacific Commercial Advertiser

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SUGAR—96 Degree Test Centrifugals, 4.24. Per Ton, \$84.80.  
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U. S. WEATHER BUREAU, May 13.—Last 24 Hours' Rainfall, .00.  
Temperature, Max. 80; Min. 69. Weather, fair.

## KUHIO AND M'CANDLESS.

The cabled acceptance from the Delegate of a place upon the committee of one hundred, which is to lead in the prohibition campaign, was expected. Kuhio knows only too well the ravages that alcohol is making among his people. He recognizes this and has consistently been on the side of prohibition and of improvements in the liquor laws. He made a forcible speech in the legislature in favor of a local option bill, a bill that was prevented from coming into force as a law by the majority against it in the local senate, and he has on several occasions taken advantage of opportunities to declare for any improvement that will help keep alcoholic spirits away from the Hawaiians.

He will be here to help carry a majority for prohibition.

The Delegate's actions in this matter have been those of a man of convictions, who is not afraid to state where he stands. In distinction to the dumbness of L. L. McCandless, who expects to run against him for congress, the words and action of Kuhio stamp him as a leader. He is going into the prohibition fight because he believes that in prohibition is promised a betterment for his people. McCandless is lying low, apparently, because he fears to come out either one way or the other, fearing to lose by taking a stand against either one side or the other in the fight. Kuhio will strengthen himself with the electorate, no matter how the vote on prohibition goes, and in the same degree McCandless will weaken his position.

The average voter likes a man to come out into the open, when he would pose as a leader, not skulk behind a veil of great silence.

## PLANTATION STORES.

It has remained for a local publication to discover that the supplying of goods at cost to employees constitutes a breach of the Sherman antitrust law. It has been supposed that independent dealers were essential to keep prices down, but for the first time it has been discovered that we must keep prices up in order to have independent stores. This reversal of all heretofore established economic principles has been discovered by The Bulletin, which does not know that the regulation of prices is for the benefit of the purchaser, not for the benefit of the seller.

There is no question of monopoly in the decision of the plantation managements to reduce the price of staples in their stores to cost and it is worse than idiotic to say so. The plantations have enough to stand from the advocates of the impossible without criticizing their liberal store policy. The cut in staples has been made, as everyone is fully aware, to enable the plantation laborers to live more economically. The cut is equivalent to an increase in wages, and no one would be fool enough to call that a detriment to the Territory at large.

The trouble with The Bulletin is that it can not appreciate what the plantation policy is and is bawling in the dark for something it can not name. As for its remarks that The Advertiser is not in earnest regarding the establishment of small farms in Hawaii, it might be pointed out that there is considerable difference between a small farmer and a Japanese storekeeper.

## THE IMMIGRATION LAW.

If the Republican party surrenders to the cry that the Immigration Act must go, it is surrendering to the unthinking ones in its ranks and throwing away the chances of a future prosperity for a supposed immediate political gain. For some time it has been intimated that the "politicians" proposed making an appeal to the cupidity and the ignorance of the voters by taking a stand that the objects for which the immigration and conservation law was passed should be eliminated from the law and the special income tax be retained, the money to be spent in the Territory on roads. Any such attempt would bring up immediately the question of the constitutionality of the law, with the prospect of having the whole law knocked out and the portion of the revenues under it now going for local uses lost along with the rest. The funds may not have been used so far according to the ideas of the general public, but there is no reason to suppose that it is to be always wasted in extravagant salaries or in ventures that will not prove profitable to the islands.

## THE JEW IN RUSSIA.

The authorities in Kiev are driving the Jews out of that city today. The Jews are there "illegally" because they are not wanted and because the Jew has few legal rights anywhere in that empire. Aside from the evil element of religious bigotry, the Jew is hated in Russia, not for his vices, but for his virtues. Thrift is a virtue, and the Jew has it. Love of home and family is a virtue, and the Jew has it. Ingenuity and skill and foresight and economy are all virtues, and the Jew has them, and it is for all these that he is hated by the Russians. While the Russian mujik keeps himself sullen and stupid with vodka, the Jew is sober, "at himself" and at work in any line that the law leaves open to him. His sobriety is a virtue, and because he profits by it the Russians hate him.

Yesterday's record is three women in Honolulu beaten by drunken husbands and a man knocked senseless in trying to stop a drunken row. When this is the trend of things under the present system of "drink or leave it alone," Honolulu will not have to go to Maine, Kansas, Tennessee or any other place to secure tips on prohibition.

How many cases of drowning in the Honolulu harbor can you remember in which the evidence of the coroner did not include the statement that "the man was last seen drunk?"

How many murders have there been in Honolulu in which the crime was not committed by a man under the influence of liquor?

Yesterday was Friday the thirteenth—and nothing happened.

## ROOSEVELT DENIES SOME POLITICAL RUMORS

BERLIN, May 13.—Colonel Roosevelt today set at rest the rumor that he had written letters to American friends endorsing the Taft administration and supporting Loeb for governor of New York. Roosevelt declared that he had stuck firmly to his expressed intention of not saying or writing anything about American politics, and that all reports of interviews or statements from him on the American political situation must be taken as false.

## FIVE BURN TO DEATH.

FAIRBANKS, Michigan, May 13.—Fire left a terrible record in its track here today. A family of five people were burned to death this morning in a fire that destroyed their home.

## SCIENTISTS COME TO SEE THE COMET'S TAIL

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see it the 14 million mile comet tail through which the sunlight must pass produces any noticeable effect on sunlight.

How important these observations are to the scientific world is shown by the fact that the expedition will travel in all 12,000 miles to make them. Preliminary observations of the sun's spectrum will be made immediately before and after the transit.

The expedition is provided with a portable dark room designed by Professor Bradford of the O. S. U. which can be set up in ten minutes.

"Never in my life," said Professor Lord, "have I been treated with the courtesy and help as on this expedition and Honolulu has done its share."

Do It Now!

Professor Donaghia of the College of Hawaii gives a fair warning to everybody that if they wait until the comet gets in the evening sky after the 15th they will not see it at its best as the moon will be too bright. It should be at its best on the 20th if the moon does not interfere. Yesterday morning the comet's tail was fully 45 degrees in length and was brighter than it has ever been before. The tail is absolutely straight which according to astronomical theory proves it to be made up of light matter.

Professor Donaghia says he is rather disappointed in the clarity of the tail, which according to his computations was right million miles long on May 2. It is now decreasing rapidly but seemingly growing larger as it approaches the earth. On May 2 it was the nearest to Venus, 19,000,000 miles, but as the orbits of the planet and comet were far apart the tail of the comet swung in a different direction. If these two planets are on Venus it is doubtful if they could see the heavenly visit—as the atmosphere of the planet is too dense.

## Letters From The People

MALIHINI AN ANTI.

Editor Advertiser:—Chief Justice Hartwell of the territorial supreme court says: "I like a good glass of wine and occasionally of whisky and water, and for forty years I have been a moderate drinker," but the public interest in the liquor question seems to be clear. I am in favor of any methods which may reduce the terrible toll which intoxicating liquor takes from innocent and helpless women and children and from strong men whom it makes dangerous," etc.

This is supposed to be an argument for prohibition, but, though not from Missouri, I would like to be shown in this regard.

If Chief Justice Hartwell likes a good glass of wine, and it will be noted in his communication to The Advertiser yesterday morning that he likes a "good glass of wine," not necessarily a glass of good wine, though it is to be presumed that he gets good wine, why should not other people like a good glass of good wine?

Later in his quoted interview the chief justice says that he has begun to realize that alcohol is not necessary, nor is it good for one to drink. He shows no argument or reasoning for such opinion, for, in the first place, the chief justice is hale and hearty and shows no signs of being at a physical disadvantage in his advanced years. And Chief Justice Hartwell says he has been drinking moderately for forty years. Though I am not aware of his exact age, the impression in my mind is that he has at least reached the three-score years and ten spoken of in the Bible. I am glad that he is considering the poor and the unfortunate and the widows and orphans in his talk on booze, but should it not be remembered, Mr. Editor, that it does not follow that prohibition is going to stop any of the alleged heartrending cases of the effects of liquor. I am a comparatively young man, though not good looking, being only forty years of age, and have been drinking for only twenty years,—only half the time that Hartwell has been drinking,—so, perhaps, he knows twice as much about it as I do, but it must be remembered that if Hartwell is having a pain or two in a rheumatic way it is not necessarily through alcohol. Justice Hartwell has been a soldier. He is a veteran. He served in the civil war. Incidentally he was bred in a cold climate, and he has been interpreting the law in a semitropical country, where, according to my experience, one needs a little more alcohol than in a cold country. Perhaps his honor has not taken enough. I am glad he spoke of the matter, for I believe his words will win many votes against prohibition, though, of course, he did not so intend. MALIHINI.

## EDITORIAL ANNOUNCEMENT.

Editor Advertiser:—Permit us to say we care not by what name it may be called, we are in favor of any "plan" that will persuade or prohibit a man from ruining himself physically, financially, mentally and spiritually, despoiling his home and filling our prisons (or even hospitals) as the result of "strong drink." Not one man, likely, in hundreds, to speak mildly, has the will to stop drinking where he thought to stop when he first began. Of course, there are exceptions, where a man is governed by principle and will take a slight stimulant or as a medicine,—but, as we say, they are in the minority. We believe the hard-laboring man should be well fed every day as one might preventive of the saloon problem. Hunger for a good meal, well cooked, drives many a man in at that downhill, down-at-the-heels door!—Editor Times.

P. S.—This is a prolific subject, and we could write columns of what we have seen and what we know of this fearful theme, "Drink." May 13. A. M. R.

## QUID GIVES WAY BEFORE THE CIGARETTE

The Bluejacket:—The traditional man-of-war's man who made it a practice to roll his quid to the other side of his cheek and spit on his hands before taking to the guns is decidedly a thing of the past, according to the reports of the navy department.

The quid of chewing tobacco is no longer an essential characteristic of the man behind the guns. He is coming to the conclusion that he doesn't care for chewing tobacco or that it is not a nice habit or that he hasn't time to chew and be about his business, too.

Last year the navy department contracted for 220,000 pounds of chewing tobacco for the use of the men of the fleet. This year the contracts will call for about 70,000, less than one-third of that amount.

There was a time when chewing tobacco was as important a feature of the ship's commissary as the allowances of grog was to Capt. Kidd's crew and Capt. Murrat's sailors. But the modern sailor has changed his habits.

He is a daintier sort of person by far, a cleaner cut, more orderly being who has not lost altogether his social perspective. Nowadays the sailor prefers a cigarette to the quid of tobacco, but on the whole he is less inclined to both nicotine and grog than he has ever been before.

## CAN'T BUILD COLLIER.

VALLEJO, April 28.—Senator George Perkins has written letters to a number of local organizations, advising them that he has lost all the hope of securing for Mare Island the work of building one of the new fleet colliers provided for in the recent naval appropriation bill.

Under the provisions of the bill, one of the vessels was to be built at a Pacific Coast navy yard for shipping. When it was found that it would cost \$1,000,000 to construct the collier here, local organizations, with Perkins in order, or to induce the navy department to increase the post limit.

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